

The Connection

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Keeping Glendale Residents Connected

Is Your Property in a Flood Hazard Area?



Did you know some parts of Glendale are designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as being in a special flood hazard area? Properties in these areas are required to purchase flood insurance as part of their home mortgage. However, other sections of the city are subject to flooding that are not shown on the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM).

Glendale's Engineering Department has copies of the FIRMs for the entire city and can let you know if your property is in a

special flood hazard area. The city's Engineering department also has copies of FEMA elevation certificates for some structures within the city and may be able to let you know if flooding has been reported in your area in the past.

All properties within Glendale can obtain flood insurance whether or not you are in a designated flood area. Remember, most standard homeowners' policies do not cover flood loss. INFO: 623-930-3630

Mother's Day Celebration in Historic Downtown May 11

Visit Historic Downtown Glendale as we celebrate moms with a day of deals, meals and more on Saturday, May 11 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. for the 6th Annual Mother's Day Celebration! Start your celebration at the Glendale Visitor Center and pick up a beautiful flower, event map and savings packs for the first 500 moms. Many of the downtown shops and restaurants will feature discounts and giveaways and special Mother's Day gift ideas. Enjoy a Mother's

Day Tea and make-and-take craft activities. The Glendale Visitor Center will be accepting new and gently read books during the Mother's Day Celebration. Donations will benefit Glendale libraries. INFO: 623-930-4500 or VisitGlendale.com. The Glendale Visitor Center is located at 5800 W. Glenn Drive, suite 140 in Historic Downtown Glendale.

Ranked #1 Again! The Glendale Civic Center



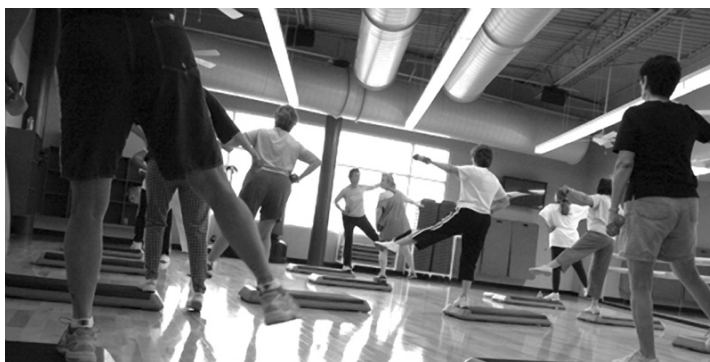
The Glendale Civic Center (5750 W. Glenn Dr.), the city-owned conference center in the downtown, has once again been ranked the #1 venue of its size by Ranking Arizona: The Best of Arizona Business. The Glendale facility outranked multi-million dollar resorts

to achieve the top status. If you are looking for a place to host a private event, wedding, bar mitzvah, quinceanera or a corporate tradeshow, please consider the city's award winning venue. Visit: GlendaleCivicCenter.com or call (623) 930-4300 for a tour.

Specialty Classes for All Ages at Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center

Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center (5600 W. Union Hills Drive) offers the community a way to stay or become healthy, spend time with family, learn skills, cool off, reduce stress and have fun. Offerings include kids summer programs, social dances, lap swimming, a rock climbing wall, racquetball leagues and lessons, walking groups, water aerobics, basketball, volleyball and a fitness center.

In addition, the center holds more than 100 classes for children and adults that cover interests including dance, cooking, music, languages, sports and fitness. Check it out at glendaleaz.com/foothills or stop by for a free tour. INFO: Call 623-930-4600





A Message from Councilmember Manny Martinez You Can Help Shape Your City

Community participation is a cornerstone to the city of Glendale's success. From volunteerism to providing valuable feedback to our elected officials and city leaders, our residents play an essential role in shaping our city. Key components to our reputation of citizen involvement

are the city's Boards and Commissions, which assist the City Council in making important policy decisions that impact our community. These citizen advisory groups research, study and discuss specific issues, and then forward their recommendations to the City Council.

The Mayor and Council are always looking for citizens to serve on Glendale's seventeen Boards and Commissions as part of their continuing goal to get the community involved. Each councilmember appoints residents from his or her district.

Several current and former members of the City Council served on Boards and Commissions prior to serving on the Council. Board and Commission members must be Glendale Residents. Basic training is required and once completed, applications are considered for vacancies on the various Boards and Commissions. Vacancies arise often as Board and Commission members reach their term limit, or make the decision to no longer serve.

Glendale's Boards and Commissions cover everything from Arts to Zoning. Currently, there are many vacancies that need to be filled, in fact, applications city-wide are at an all-time low.

If you have ever thought about making a difference in your community, now is the time to help shape your city!

For more information on Glendale's Boards and Commissions, please visit: www.glendaleaz.com/boardsandcommissions or call (623) 930-2249.

LIBRARY EVENTS

Foothills Coffeehouse: Live Acoustic Music

Join us for acoustic music performed by local musicians on Wednesday, May 1. This event is held in the Roadrunner Room at the Foothills Branch Library from 6:30 – 8 p.m. INFO: 623-930-3844.

My Kids in Sign Performance

Everyone is welcome to enjoy this special performance including sign language and song. Two shows will take place at the Glendale Main Library on Saturday, May 4. Join us from 1 – 2 p.m. or 3 – 4 p.m. INFO: 623-930-3540

Free Theatre Production

Arizona Broadway Theatre returns to Glendale with a classic tale of friendship, Androcles and The Lion. This performance is designed for ages 5 and up. The show will be held in the auditorium at the Glendale Main Library on Thursday, May 9 from 4 – 4:50 p.m. INFO: 623-930-3540

Writing a Winning Resume

Learn to develop, write and distribute a basic resume and cover letter. Participants will learn to link effective resume and cover letter distribution to job-hunting goals. Tuesday, May 14 from 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at the Main Library in the large meeting room. INFO: 623-930-3531

Glendale Coffeehouse Music

Join us on Thursday, May 16 from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. for acoustic music from area musicians. The performance will be held in the auditorium at the Glendale Main Library. INFO: 623-930-3573

Writers Group Workshop

Join us on Wednesday, May 29 from 6 – 8 p.m. to meet fellow writers and hear thoughtful feedback on your work. All genres and writing styles welcome. New attendees must call to register. This workshop is held in the Hummingbird Room at the Foothills Branch Library. INFO: 623-930-3853.



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deadlines, we encourage you
to check our online version
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information and details.**

Please look for the city of Glendale's Water Report next month in place of your June Connection